

FIG. 1

The flowchart illustrates a search method. It begins with a process block 'ESTABLISH DATABASE' (201), followed by 'RECEIVE PHRASE' (202), and 'RETRIEVE DATA FOR PHRASE FROM DATABASE' (203). A decision diamond (204) asks 'PERFORM SEARCH FOR PHRASE AS A WHOLE?'. If 'YES', it proceeds to 'PERFORM SEARCH FOR PHRASE AS A WHOLE' (205). If 'NO', it proceeds to 'PERFORM SEARCH FOR WORDS INDIVIDUALLY' (206). Both paths lead to 'RETURN LIST OF DOCUMENTS' (207). A detailed view of the search process (FIG. 5) shows 'SEARCH TEXT FOR WORDS' (201a), 'DETERMINE METRIC' (201b), and 'STORE DATA' (201c).

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    201[ESTABLISH DATABASE] --> 202[RECEIVE PHRASE]
    202 --> 203[RETRIEVE DATA FOR PHRASE FROM DATABASE]
    203 --> 204{PERFORM SEARCH FOR PHRASE AS A WHOLE?}
    204 -- YES --> 205[PERFORM SEARCH FOR PHRASE AS A WHOLE]
    204 -- NO --> 206[PERFORM SEARCH FOR WORDS INDIVIDUALLY]
    205 --> 207[RETURN LIST OF DOCUMENTS]
    206 --> 207
    subgraph FIG_5 [FIG. 5]
        201a[SEARCH TEXT FOR WORDS] --> 201b[DETERMINE METRIC]
        201b --> 201c[STORE DATA]
    end

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FIG. 2

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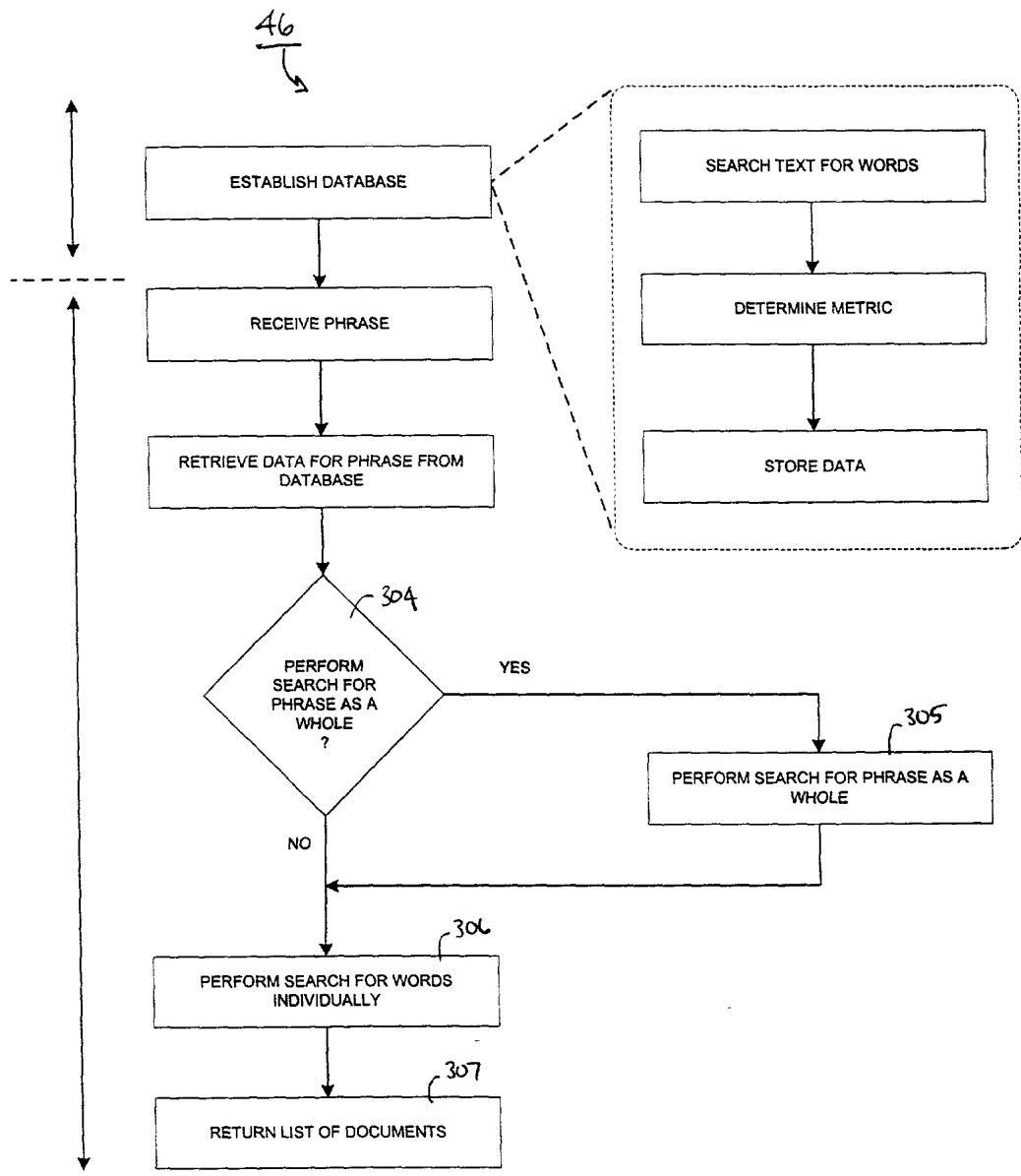


FIG. 3

